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# GENEALOGICAL HISTORY

—OF THE—

## VAN ALEN FAMILY

EMBRACING

A RECORD OF BIRTHS  
MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

—ALSO—

## Biographical Sketches

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Is blazoned: Gules, a chevron argent!  
Crest, two wings endorsed gules, each  
charged with as many chevrons argent.



## PREFACE



THE rapid decimation of the Van ALEN family has impelled the compilation of a genealogical record of our kindred, so that future generations might know something regarding their ancestry.

The Dutch wrote very little—and their records are meager—hence the literature for genealogical research, is for the most part, shut up in the archives of historical libraries, and in giving in printed form the results of patient research through those agencies, also correspondence with relatives covering a period of several years. I take pleasure in presenting a record, gleaned from public and historic family documents, which I believe has been correctly collated.

My most cordial thanks are due, and are hereby extended to the kind relatives who have helped me collect the material and data, and loaned the valuable papers, etc., which have been reproduced in this publication.

BENJAMIN TAYLOR VAN ALEN.

# Ancestral Chart of the Van Allen Family

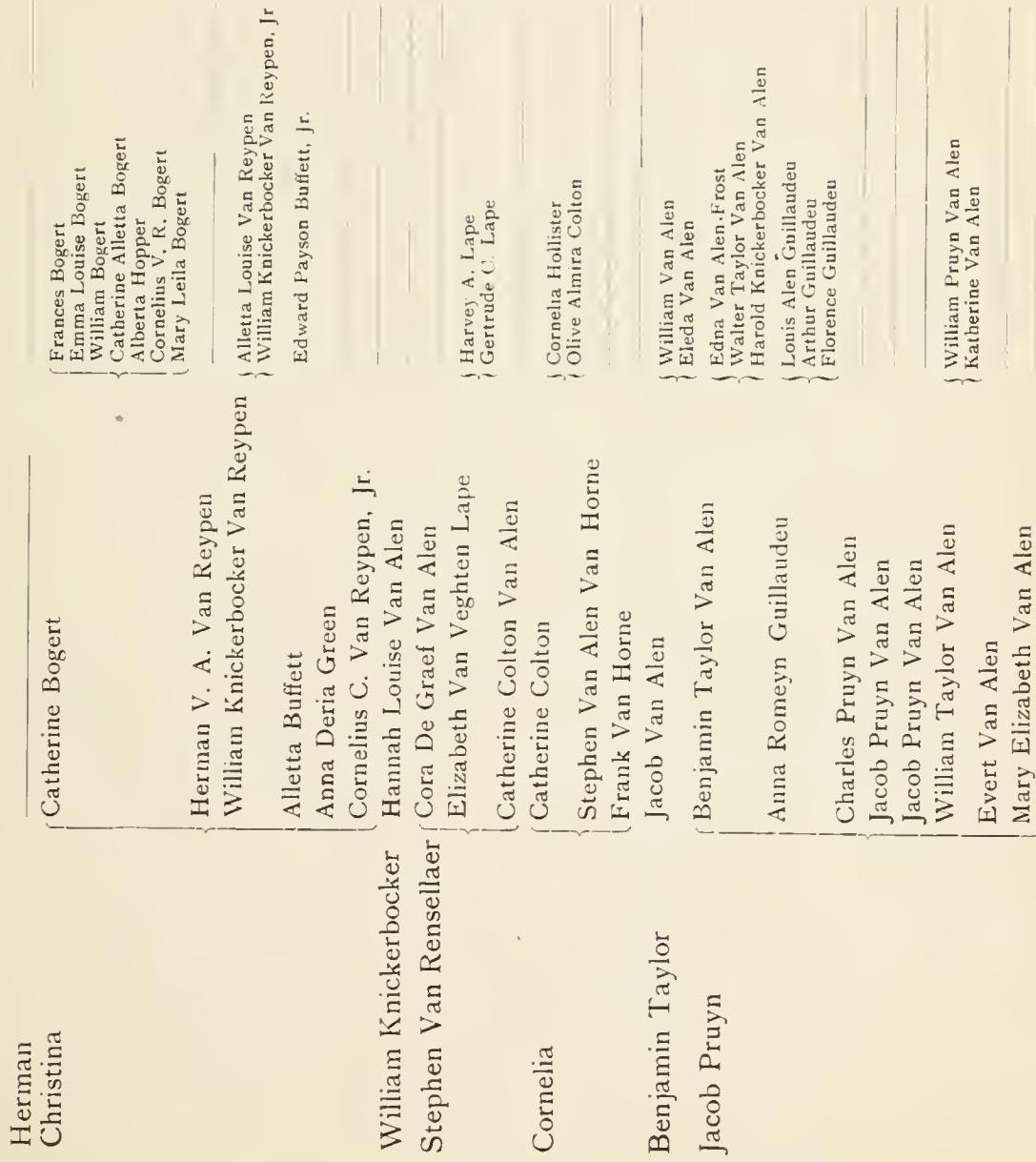
1. Lourens Von Hallen.
2. Pieter Van Halen.
3. Pieter, Wilhelmus, Johannes.
4. Pieter, Adam, Maria, Christina, Dirck, Lena.
5. Abraham E., Laurens E., Jacobus, Adam E., Dirck, John Evert.
6. Evert, Magdalena, Freyenmoet, Maria Helena, Jannetje, Abraham A.

All of the above generations have passed away, but records remain, and from a careful and extended research of them our family are believed to have descended in the following lines:

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|-------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| First Generation, | ..... | Lourens Von Hallen.   |
| Second "          | ..... | Pieter Van Halen.     |
| Third "           | ..... | Johannes Van Allen.   |
| Fourth "          | ..... | Adam Van Allen.       |
| Fifth "           | ..... | Abraham E. Van Allen. |
| Sixth "           | ..... | Evert Van Allen.      |

The children of the last named, are enumerated in Seventh Generation.

SEVENTH GENERATION	EIGHTH GENERATION	NINTH GENERATION	TENTH GENERATION
John Evert			
Ann Maria	Deria E Reynolds	William Van Vechten Reynolds	
Elizabeth Magdalen	{ Herman Van Allen	{ Bertha Van Allen	
John E.	{ Evert Van Allen	{ Walter Van Allen	
Abraham E.	Mary Foster	Minnie C. Engle	Marion Louise Engle
	Jacob S. Van Allen	Lillian M. Van Allen	Sarah Abigail Van Allen
		Harrison D. Van Allen	
		Charles E. Van Allen	
		Martha M. Van Allen	





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HE VAN ALEN FAMILY in this country are undoubtedly from the direct and ancestral lineage of Lourens von Hallen, who came to Amsterdam from the Town of Hallen, lying between Amsterdam and Utrecht, in The Netherlands.

The name Van Alen is evidently derived from Haelen or Hallen—and an anglicization of Van from "Von" signifying "from"—and Hallen to Alen—making the name Van Alen—or in Dutch Von Hallen, and has passed through the varied forms of Von Hallen, Van Haelen, Van Halen—Van Ale—Van Aelen—Van Allen and Van Alen. The Kinderhook family, and a large majority of descendants adopting the spelling, Van Alen.

Pieter Van Halen, born in Holland about the year 1630, presumably a grandson of Lourens Von Hallen, was the first of the Van Alen family to come to America, sailing from Utrecht in the year 1658 on the ship De Vergulde Bever ("Gilded Beaver"), captain Jan Reyersz Van der Beets, accompanied by his wife, two small children and a boy.

He settled at Beaverwyck (Albany) in 1658, pursuing his trade of a tailor, and speculating as a trader in beaver skins.

He was evidently a justice of the peace, as there are two records in 1664 where he took acknowledgments, and in the same year was surety for Jan D. Van Eps, who had purchased a brewery, the payment for same being made in beaver skins of the value of 1150 guilders.

No record has been found indicating the demise of his wife, yet in the year 1669 he married Maria Teller, daughter of Wilhelmus Teller, the wachtmeester (watchman) of the fort—presumably Fort Orange—Albany.

A grant of land was made to him at Kinderhook, in the then county of Albany (now Columbia county), and province of New York, on June 26, 1668, by Colonel Richard Nichols—commanding the English military force—and who was the first English governor of the province, his commission bearing date June 12, 1665. Pieter Van Halen died at Kinderhook, N. Y., January, 1674, leaving three sons, namely: Pieter, Wilhelmus and Johannes.

No record can be found of the marriage of the son Pieter. Wilhelmus married Marytje Van Patten in 1694, and Johannes married Christina Ten Broek in 1701; their children being Pieter, Adam, Maria, Christina, Lourence, Dirck and Lena.

Their son Adam, born 1703, died 1784, married Maria Roseboom June 20, 1732. Their children were: Abraham E., Lourens E., Jacobus, Adam E., Dirck and John Evert.

Abraham E., their oldest son, married Mary Freyenmoet February 18, 1771. Their children were: Evert, born September 13, 1772; Magdalena, Freyenmoet, Maria Helena and Jannetje (twins), and Abraham A.

Lourens E. married Margaret Van Schaack, sister of Peter Van Schaack, L.L.D., an eminent and distinguished jurist. Their children were: Cornelius, Margaret, Peter L., Alida and Maria.

Jacobus married twice, his wives being Christina Van Buren and Cathrina Kittle. Their children were Andrew, Evert I., John, Jacobus, Adam, Sophia and Stephen.

Adam E. married —————. Their children were: John A., Evert, Austin, Margaret, Anne and Lydia Maria.

Dirck married Elbertje Van Buren. Their children were: Evert D., Dirck, Margaret, Catherine and Laurence.

John Evert married Anne Freyenmoet May 5, 1771, she being a sister of his brother Abraham's wife and daughter of Dominie Freyenmoet, then pastor of the Kinderhook Dutch Reformed church. There is no record of any children having been born to them.



VAN ALEN FARM HOUSE AT KINDERHOOK, N. Y.

Historical research by Mr. John P. Ritter, of New York, has developed the fact that the Van Alen family were among the earliest settlers of Kinderhook, where they acquired a large tract of land, placed upon it a great number of slaves, and in a few years had accumulated sufficient means to erect a house of bricks imported from Holland. He gives the date of its erection as 1739, while another authority states, "that, according to the curious iron figures imbedded in one of its walls, it was built in the year 1766."

Great locust trees stood guard about this home, together with a few poplars, and girding the garden were thick hedges of box.

This homestead was, in all probability, erected by Adam Van Alen, son of Johannes, and was located on the Albany and New York post road, adjoining the farm which in later years was owned and occupied by Martin Van Buren, afterwards President of the United States.

The early Dutch residents of Albany, Kinderhook and vicinity, constituted a kind of landed aristocracy, and, with their numerous retainers and slaves held a sort of feudal court in the grand old mansions which may still be found dotted here and there in the Hudson River section of the State. They were a vigorous, well balanced race, energetic and social. The treatment accorded their slaves, as well as the Mohican Indians, by these Dutch settlers, was marked by the highest elements of humanity and Christian kindness. While bitter Theological and Political controversies shook New England, the Dutch of New York held fast to their Bibles, tilled the soil, and, if not the most prosperous of the New World's people, were certainly the happiest.

The family seat of the Van Alens at Kinderhook was one of the historical and ancestral homes around whose hearthstones the associations of by-gone generations gather in the shadows of advancing time.

They were people in comfortable circumstances and remarkably good livers. Simplicity, contentment, easy going industry, and love of harmless amusement pervaded their daily life.

In their domestic relations is found a strong development of all Dutch characteristics. The family altar was held in sacred esteem. The cradle, the bridal, and the tomb were surrounded by the highest attributes of filial affection, conscientious devotion to duty, and reverent love. Among no other nationality are the ties of kindred more clearly recognized or more firmly maintained.

For years the old families of Dutch descent in New York City and environs were looked upon as the models of fashion and deportment, and their social life and doings were regularly chronicled in the newspapers.

To-day they have almost entirely dropped from the public eye, and it is deplorable to chronicle that social prominence seems now based more largely upon wealth than ancient lineage.

Mr. Harold Van Santvoord, of New York, has in his possession an autograph letter, written by Washington Irving, in answer to one from his friend Jesse Merwin, of Kinderhook. It was found among Irving's papers after his death, and, upon the back was endorsed in the great author's own hand writing, "From Jesse Merwin, the original Ichabod Crane." The following excerpt has been taken from that letter:

Do you remember our fishing expedition in company with Congressman Van Alen, to the little lake a few miles from Kinderhook, and John Moore, the vagabond Admiral of the lake, who sat crouched in a heap in the middle of his canoe in the center of the lake, with fishing rods stretching out in every direction like the long legs of a spider? and do you remember our piratical prank when we made up for our bad luck in fishing, by plundering his canoe of its fish when we found it adrift, and do you remember how John Moore came splashing along the marsh on the opposite border of the lake, roaring at us, and how we finished our frolic by driving off and leaving the Congressman to John Moore's mercy, tickling ourselves with the idea of his being scalped at least. By the way, that same John Moore and the anecdotes you told me of him, gave the idea of a vagabond character, "Dirck Schuyler," in my Knickerbocker's History of New York, which I was then writing.

Irving, while sojourning at Lindenwald, only two miles away, formed an intimacy with a district school teacher named Merwin, whom he acknowledges to have been the prototype of Ichabod Crane.

His letter, quoted above, indicates this fact; also his having an acquaintance with Congressman Van Alen—and that he and his friend, Jesse Merwin, must have been welcome visitors in the Van Alen home.

Among the older inhabitants of Kinderhook, there may be found several who recall the traditions of Katrina Van Alen, a girl renowned for her beauty and coquetry. Her name is not found in the list of children of Abraham E. Van Alen, yet it is a fair inference that she was a cousin of Congressman Van Alen, probably being Catherine, the daughter of Dirck Van Alen, and at that time an inmate of the old home.

In Kinderhook, therefore, were to be found the characters of Irving's book. She was evidently the Katrina Van Tassel, who married a certain Abram Van Alstyne, "Brom Bones," who was famed throughout that country for his feats of strength and hardihood. In the Van Alen homestead at Kinderhook the "Legend of Sleepy Hollow" probably first took form in Irving's mind. And in transferring the scene of the romance, he was no doubt, prompted by a kind consideration of his friends.

#### Abstract from a historical paper by Hon. Henry C. Van Schaack:

It is a singular fact that Kinderhook is in some way associated with duels. The Van Alen duel, like that of Burr and Hamilton, has some connection with the old Van Ness mansion.

Peter L. Van Alen, whose mother was a sister of Peter Van Schaack, L. L. D., was born in the old Van Alen mansion still standing near Lindenwald (Van Buren's old home, now over 200 years old). He was a young man of great promise. In 1792 he went to Georgia as an officer in the regular army, married, and a man of distinction. He was prepared to leave the army for the bar in 1795. He became Solicitor General for the Northern District of Georgia. Such was his position when he was killed in a duel with William C. Crawford, who was afterwards Secretary of the Treasury under President Monroe.

John Evert Van Alen, in all probability the youngest son of Adam and Maria Van Alen, was born at Kinderhook, N. Y., in the year 1749, died March, 1807, and was married to Anne Freyennont May 5, 1771.

He resided during his youth at Kinderhook, and, just prior to his marriage, moved to the Town of Greenbush. This town was surveyed by him in the year 1790, and also in 1806 by his nephew, Evert Van Alen, both surveys being made for John J. Van Rensellaer.

Greenbush, at this time, was eight (8) miles square and included East Greenbush, North Greenbush, Rensellaerwyck, Blooming Grove, Bath, part of Sand Lake, and a strip that was annexed to Troy in 1836.

About the year 1778 he purchased a tract of land, nearly four hundred (400) acres in extent, situated in what is now the Town of De Freestville, and built upon it the Van Alen homestead. The house is generous in its proportions. Contains over twenty rooms, many of its walls being elaborately ornamented with painted decorations. The cellar has eight distinct rooms, besides extensive quarters for the slaves owned by him at that time.



VAN ALEN HOMESTEAD AT DE FREEST VILLE

"Alone it stands, so old, and bare, and gray,  
Its huge brick chimney's towering toward the sky."

In addition to extensive farming operations, he conducted a general store at Greenbush on the Hudson River, and followed his professional vocation of civil engineer and surveyor. He was distinguished for his learning and legal ability; also for strenuous and unremitting work.

The act creating Rensselaer county and setting it off from Albany county, was passed February 17, 1791, and the next day, February 18, 1791, he was appointed assistant court justice.

In 1792 he was elected to Congress and served for three consecutive terms, 1793 to 1799, during the presidency of George Washington, and when the Congress met in the City of Philadelphia.

In his second election he defeated Henry K. Van Rensselaer (Patroon of Rensselaer county.)

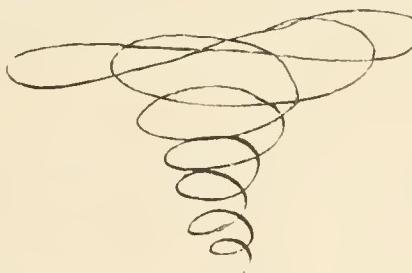
Herewith is reproduced the fly leaf from a bound copy of Congressional Records of 1795, showing his handwriting at time he was a member of Congress.

## JOHNE VAN ALEN

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Kinderhook-District

ALBANY COUNTY.



In the early history of New York it was the custom and law for a joint committee of the Senate and Assembly of the State to meet as canvassers of the votes and to certify the election of National officers. Congressman Van Alen's third election was, in accordance, announced as follows:

To the Hon. John E. Van Alen  
In Congress,  
Philadelphia.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20, 1797.

I have the honor to transmit to you a certificate of your re-election to the House of Representatives of the United States.

The not personally known to you, permit me to congratulate you upon this *renewed* proof which you have received of the confidence of your fellow citizens, and of the testimony it affords of their attachment to those principles of order and good government, which have been your guide.

I am, sir, with much respect,

Your obt. servant,

JACOB MORTON, Secretary

Possessing qualities with which nature had evidently endowed him, Congressman Van Alen entered into political activity as naturally as a growing plant seeks light and air. Without apparent ambition he seems to have possessed a rare power of making friends and keeping them, and his intimacies appear the greater among the higher and influential men of the day.

While attending a session of the Congress in Philadelphia, on April 15, 1794, he addressed a letter to his intimate friend, Peter Van Schaack (a reproduction of the address bearing his "congressional frank" is given below):

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FREE *Free*  
*J. E. Van Alen*  
Peter Van Schaack Esq.  
Counselor at Law  
Kinderhook

Closing that letter with this expression:

"As I consider this an interesting question, will write you every step that is taken in it, and in the interim remain with the greatest truth. Your sincere friend."

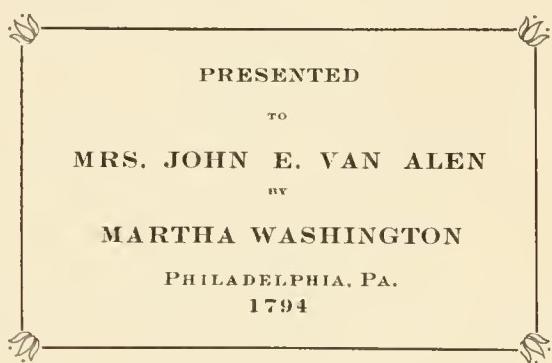
Evidence of his having held a close and intimate friendship with President George Washington is shown in invitations and gifts made by the President to both him and his wife.

The President of the United States  
requests the pleasure of Mr. Van Alen's  
Company to Dine on Wednesday - next.  
at 4 o'clock.  
May 6<sup>th</sup> 1796

An answer is requested.

(The handwriting is believed to be that of George Washington)

Herewith is shown one of a pair of sugar bowls presented to Martha Washington by an Indian sachem at Philadelphia in 1774. Mrs. Washington, after the lapse of twenty years, presented this particular one to Mrs. John Evert Van Alen, wife of the first congressman from the Kinderhook district. It is carved from a cocoa nut shell, handsomely mounted in silver and ornamented with a silver plate bearing the inscription:



Anne Van Alen, wife of Congressman Van Alen, bequeathed this souvenir, by will, to Dericka Van Alen, wife of her nephew, Evert Van Alen, upon whose demise it came into possession of her daughter, Ann Maria Van Alen, and was for years in daily use in the old home. Just prior to her death she presented it to her nephew, Herman Van Alen, who now holds it.

Congressman Van Alen's method of making his loans quite secure is well evidenced by a note reproduced herewith (exact size):

*For value received I promise to Pay to John E. Van Alen or Order Six Spanish  
Million Dollars on or before the fifteenth day of May next. Witness my  
hand at Kinderhook this 20 April 1708.—  
Witness Present Peter Wingerd*

*Nich. Pittle*

In Sylvester's History of Rensselaer county are records of John E. Van Alen being elected County Judge on February 27, 1800, and a member of the Assembly in 1801.

The wills of John Evert Van Alen and Anne, his wife, are herewith given in full, the latter, in spelling, punctuation, etc., being identical with the original document in possession of the compiler of this work:

*In the name of God, Amen*

I; John E. Van Alen, of the Town of Rensselaerwyck, in the County of Rensselaer, and State of New York, being in perfect health and of sound mind, memory and understanding, but considering the uncertainty of this transitory life, do make, publish and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following, to-wit:

I will that all my just debts and funeral expenses be duly satisfied and paid in some convenient time after my decease.

I give, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife, Anne Van Alen, for and during the time she shall remain my widow, my dwelling house, barn, and farm of land with the appurtenances whereon I now live, situate in the Town of Rensselaerwyck aforesaid; and also the use and income of all my servants, farming utensils, carriages, sleys, horses, cattle, sheep, and hogs; and also all the interest that shall grow due after my decease on all such obligations or securities for money as shall be then due and owing to me after a liquidation and payment of all my just debts. To hold the same to my said wife, Anne, until her re-marriage or decease, which shall first happen. And I also give to my said wife and to her heirs and assigns forever, all her wearing apparel, and all my household furniture and riding chair, and my negro girl named Dinah. And, if she remarry, then and in such case, I give and bequeath to her the sum of one hundred pounds, New York money, to be raised out of my personal estate, and paid her in six weeks after her remarriage if she will accept thereof in full lien and satisfaction for her right of dower in or to my estate.

I give and bequeath to my brothers, Abraham, Lourens, Jacobns, Derck and Adam, all my wearing apparel, to be by them equally divided at the expiration of six weeks after my demise, and from and immediately after the remarriage or decease of my said wife, which shall first happen. Then I give, devise and bequeath to my nephew, Evert Van Alen, son of my brother Abraham, my dwelling house, barn and farm of land, with the appurtenances on which I now live, situate in the Town of Rensselaerwyck; and all my farming utensils, sleys, one surveying compass and chain, with all my surveying books, maps and papers; also my negro boy named Tom, and two cows and ten sheep. To hold the same to my said nephew, Evert Van Alen, and to his heirs and assigns forever. On the express terms that he support, maintain and keep his sister, Helena, with clothing and boarding in the manner she is now kept, from the time of his taking possession of the above estate until her marriage; and that he pay her the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds, New York money, in three equal and annual payments, the first of which payments to be at the expiration of two years after the remarriage or decease of my wife, which shall first happen, and to continue annually thereafter until the whole be paid, and which I hereby bequeath to her.

I give and bequeath to my nephew, John P. Van Buren, son of my brother-in-law, Peter B. Van Buren, deceased, the sum of twenty pounds, New York money, to be raised out of my personal estate, and paid him by my executors hereinafter named at the expiration of six months after the remarriage or decease of my wife, which shall first happen.

I give and bequeath to my nephew, Andrus Kittle, son of my brother-in-law, Nicholas Kittle, the sum of twenty pounds, to be raised out of my personal estate and paid to him by my executors hereinafter named at the expiration of six months after the remarriage or decease of my wife, which shall first happen; and, in consideration of the faithful services rendered me by my negro man named Gus, and my negro woman named Mol, it is my will that from and after the remarriage or decease of my wife, which shall first happen, they respectfully be and hereby are perfectly and entirely manmitten and discharged from any further service; and from and immediately after the remarriage or demise of my wife, which shall first happen; then I give, devise and bequeath all the rest, residue and remainder of my real estate and personal not hereinbefore particularly willed or disposed of to the three youngest children of my brother, Abraham, namely: Freyenmoet, Maria, and Abraham, and to all the children of my brothers, Lourens, Derck, Jacobns, and Adam, to be by them divided in manner following, that is to say: One-fifth part thereof to the said three children of my brother, Abraham, one-fifth part thereof to all the children of my brother, Lourens; one-fifth part thereof to all the children of my brother, Derck; one-fifth part thereof to all the children of my brother, Jacobns, and one-fifth part thereof to all the children of my brother, Adam, to be by them divided in the manner above mentioned at the expiration of six months after the remarriage or decease of my wife, which shall first happen. But as to the shares of such of the above children as shall be minors at the division above mentioned (if any such there be) it is my will and I hereby direct my executors hereinafter named to put the same at interest, on good security, for the use and benefit of such child or children until they shall respectfully attain the age of twenty-one years, and, on that day to pay them the respective shares, with the interest accrued thereon. And I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my beloved wife, Anne Van Alen, executrix, and my brother, Lourens E. Van Alen, and my nephew, Evert Van Alen, and my respected friend, Peter Van Schaack, Esq., executors of this my last will and testament; hereby utterly revoking, disannulling and making void all former and other wills, legacies and executors by me in any wise before named willed or appointed, ratifying, allowing and confirming this and no other, to be my last will and testament.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the twenty-first day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-three.

JOHN E. VAN ALLEN. [L. S.]

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced and declared by the said John E. Van Alen as and for his last will and testament, in the presence of us, and presence of each other, who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

JACOB VAN ALSTYNE,  
ANNA VAN ALSTYNE,  
CATRINA VAN ALSTYNE.

*In the name of God, Amen.*

I, Anne Van Alen, widow of John E. Van Alen, deceased, of the Town of Greenbush, in the County of Rensselaer, being weak in Body but of Perfect and sound mind and memory, Blessed be Almighty God for the same, but considering the uncertainty of this Mortal Life, do make, Publish, and Declare this my last will and testament in Manor and form Following, to-Wit:

*First.* I will that all my Just Debts and Funeral Expenses be duly satisfied and Paid out of my Personal Property, by my Executor hereinafter mentioned, in some Convenient time after my Decease.

*Item.* I give and bequeath to my sister, Mary Van Alen, wife of Abram E. Van Alen, deceased, all my wearing apparel and Linnen, which is not hereinafter particularly willed and Disposed of, and to her heirs.

*Item.* I give and bequeath to Ann Maria Van Alen, Daughter of Evert Van Alen, and to Judith Ann Labach, Daughter of Peter Labach all my Plate, to be by them Equally Divided, Share and Share alike, by my Executor hereinafter mentioned, when Either of them shall marry or arrive to the age of Eighteen years, which shall first happen.

*Item.* I give and bequeath to the said above Judith Ann Labach, my Satten Cloak and black silk gown, as also my white Curtained Bedsted and beding thereto belonging, as it now stands in the White Room, together with the White muzlen window Curtens, to have the same when she shall marry a husbaud or arrive at the age of Eighteen years.

*Item.* I give and bequeath to the said above Ann Maria Van Alen my satten gown and Petticoat, and blue Curtained Bed and bedsted, as with appurtenances thereto as it now stands in the green room, together with the blue Window Curtens.

*Item.* I give and bequeath to Isaacs Labach, son of Peter Labach, one Hundred dollars when he shall arrive to the age of Twenty-one years.

*Item.* I give and bequeath to Derica Van Alen, wife of Evert Van Alen, my Pattenet Cloak and Cocoa Shell Sugar cup.

*Item.* I give and bequeath to Nicholas Kittle, of Kinderhook, all the interest due from him to me on certain obligations which he signed to my late husbaud, John E. Van Alen.

*Item.* I give and bequeath to John E. Van Alen, son of Evert Van Alen, my Single Sley and the Harness thereto belonging.

*Item.* I give and bequeath to my black woman, Moll, one Pair Linen Sheets two Pair Pillow cases two Blankets, one Shift and bumbazett gown.

*Item.* All the Rest, Residue and Remainder of all my property, both Real and Personal, not herein before Particularly willed and Disposed of, I Give, devise and bequeath to my Nephew, Evert Van Alen, and to his Heirs and Assigns forever; and I do hereby nominate and appoint my said Nephew, Evert Van Alen, as Executor to this my last will and testament, hereby utterly Revoking, disannulling and making Void all other and former wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the Twenty-third day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

*Anne Van Alen* [L. S.]

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the above named Anne Van Alen to be her last will and testament in the presence of us, who have hereto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the testatrix.

ANN DEFREIST,  
OLIVE PHELPS,  
JOHN DEFREIST, JUNR.

Here follows a letter written by Anne Van Alen, when her husband was attending a session of the Congress in Philadelphia.

It is a clear exemplification of her noble Christian character, and also displays her love for and confidence in her husband, and anxiety for him while under the influence of his Political associates.

She had quite evidently been informed through the medium of the weekly newspaper, of the famous and now historical episode on the floor of the House of Representatives, participated in by Roger Griswold, armed with a hickory stick--and Matthew Lyon opposing him with a pair of tongs.

MY DEAR

Since my last I have nothing new but to acknowledge yours of the 14th and 19th. They afford me cause of gratitude that, in addition to so many undeserved favors, you can tell me you are in health—a living monument of God's mercy—and oh that grace may be given us so to number our few remaining and uncertain days, as to apply our hearts to wisdom, and to prepare for that awful change that awaits us: to seek the Lord while he is to be found, and call on him while he is near. May the scenes of disorder in our National Assembly cause you to reflect and search for the cause of these things. Why are the people at large permitted to help on their ruin by choosing such men in their National Councils? It is because they seek, not direction from the Lord, who would point out to them men fearing God and working righteousness. In the house of the National Legislature, are these words of the Saviour verified: Those that forsake me will I also leave to the perverseness of their evil hearts to do those things that are unseemly.

I have heard nothing since my last about that gentleman's writing you on a certain affair, and believe you are right in your conjecture about that family—and am pleased to find you so indifferent—and believe you when you say, "There is little satisfaction now to be taken in Congress." The conduct of that once honorable body now grows contemptable, and one and all are blamed.

The ground is yet covered with snow—for some days past thawing weather—the sleighing is but indifferent. Our stock well, and fodder likely to hold out well.

With love your affectionate.

Greenbush, 29th Feby., 1798.

ANN VAN ALLEN.



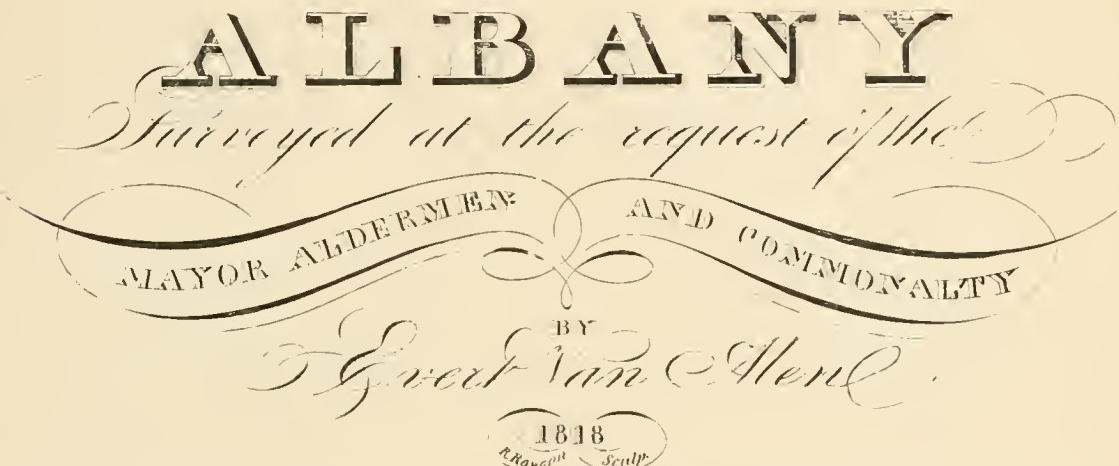
EVERT VAN ALLEN

Evert Van Alen, son of Abraham E. and Mary Freyenmoet Van Alen—was born at Kinderhook, N. Y., September 13, 1772—died at De Freest Ville, August 14, 1854; married Dericka Knickerbocker, daughter of Colonel Johannes and Elizabeth Knickerbocker, of Schaghticoke, N. Y., August 1, 1801, the ceremony being performed by Dominie Page.

She was born January 27, 1783, and died December 21, 1833, was a lady of amiable disposition, a worthy member of the Dutch Reformed Church, and to the poor, a kind and benevolent friend.

His mother died when he was a comparatively young child—and he was adopted by his uncle, John Evert Van Aken, (Congressman), who had no children, and thereby became heir to the Blooming Grove home and estate.

Early in life he adopted the profession of Civil Engineer and Surveyor. April 17, 1817, the Legislature of the State of New York passed an act authorizing the construction of a canal from the Hudson River to Lake Erie, a distance of 363 miles, this was known as the Erie Canal—and was first opened for traffic on October 26, 1825. Evert Van Aken was employed for two years as surveyor and engineer upon the eastern end of that extensive work, and in the year 1818 he surveyed and prepared a map of the City of Albany—the title of which is herewith reproduced in exact size.



His efficient work, soon gave him a wide reputation and substantial income, and enabled him to suitably provide for and educate his extensive family of children.

In a letter to his uncle, the Congressman, bearing date, Greenbush, January 2, 1796, he writes:—

MY DEAR UNCLE:—

I cannot help remarking how well our domestics have behaved themselves in keeping Christmas and New Years. Gus has yet his usual faults in being out of nights, exceptive of this never could a family with the number of them that we have live more in peace and harmony than we do.

As this is the second day of the New Year, I must wish you and my dear aunt the compliments of it.

I remain your obedient nephew,

EVERT VAN ALEN.

His employment professionally by foreigners, is shown by the following copy of a letter by him addressed to

LORD AMHURST  
CITY OF LONDON  
ENGLAND

MY LORD:

I am to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 4th January, 1809, as also the one dated March 1st, 1809, together with the power of attorney, which have safe arrived.

It appears from the information I received from a gentleman who, last year, was an inhabitant at Lake Pleasant and just removed from there, says: That there is little attention in the settlement made at Lake Pleasant since the date of my last and that settlers are not now coming in as fast as was expected.

I have been to the Comptroller's office, paid up the taxes due on your Township No. 3, which is.....\$129.25

For which I enclose you a Bill and Recpt  
Balance due to my late Uncle, J. E. Van Aken ..... 27.00  
Postage of the Power of Atty. and Letters ..... 1.95

..... Equal to £35—11—9 sterling..... \$158.20

For which sum I have drawn Bill of Exchange in favour of John D. P. Donw & Co. on your Banker in London.

I remain, yours very sincerely,

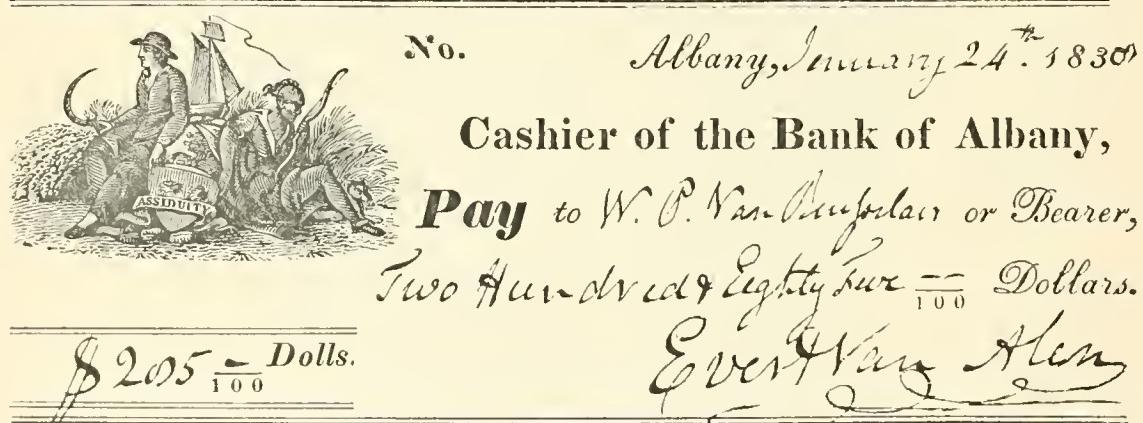
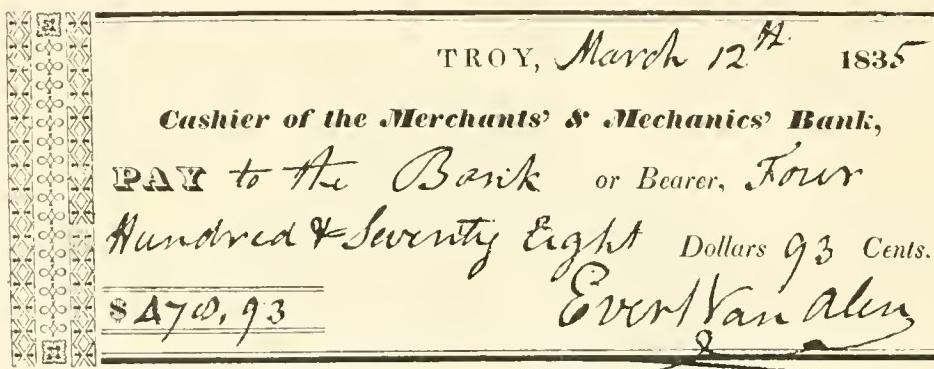
Greenbush, July, 1809.

EVERT VAN ALEN.

June 5, 1811, he was commissioned Captain, in 3rd Regiment Cavalry, N. Y. State Militia, located in Rensselaer county. This regiment offered its services to the National government in the war 1812, and were quartered for a period in barracks at Greenbush—but saw no active service.

On April 2, 1813—he was elected a Justice of the Peace, and this is the only record found showing that he held any public office.

Among numerous cancelled cheques, those illustrated below (exact size) will serve to show accounts kept by him in the banks of two cities.



There was nothing unlovely in Evert Van Aken. He was an active and eminently useful citizen. He was neither rich nor poor. His ancestry were God-fearing people, intelligent and upright, without pretension, and without humility—hence his home was a home of probity, piety, and patriotism, and his actions were moulded in accordance with the strict rules of Christianity that governed his entire life. He was the incarnation of truth, and the embodiment of every lofty idea. His personal influence was always for the best. His kindness unfailing, and his very presence an encouragement to all who were brought in contact with him. His nature is best exemplified by a perusal of the following letter, found attached to his last will and testament.

To all my Beloved Children

The Inclosed contains a division of all my property both Real & Personal in the form of a Will & Testament and which I have endeavored to divide impartially among all my children according to the best of my Judgment and with which they I trust all will be contented and that there may be no discord or contention about the World's goods for which I have devoted my whole life to accumulate for the comfort of all my dear offspring to enjoy and may the Lord incline your hearts each and every one of you to live Devoted to his cause and hereafter be received as his Disciples is the sincere Prayer of your affectionate Father

Evert Van Alen

November 20<sup>th</sup> 1852

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Evert Van Alen, of the Town of Green Bush, in the County of Rensselaer, and State of New York, being in good health and of perfect and sound mind and memory, Blessed be Almighty God for the same. But considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, I do make, publish and declare this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following, to-Wit:

*First.* I will that all my just debts and funeral expenses be duly satisfied and paid out of my personal property by my executors, hereinafter named, in some convenient time after my decease.

*Item.* I give and bequeath all my wearing apparel to my six sons, namely: John, Stephen V. R., William K., Abraham, Benjamin Taylor and Jacob Pruyn, to be by them equally divided at the expiration of six weeks after my decease.

*Item.* I give, devise and bequeath to my son, John E. Van Aken, my dwelling house, barn, orchard, and that easterly half of my farm whereon I now live, the westerly bounds of which will begin at a stake and stones in the north line of my said farm which is on the south side of the Albany and Sand Lake Plank Road, and on the top of the hill commonly called Fransen Bergh, and runs from the said stake and stones South twenty-nine degrees and thirty minutes. West sixteen chains to the South post of a swing gate, then North seventy-one degrees, West eight chains and ninety-five links to a walnut tree, then due West three chains and twenty-six links to a stake, then South thirty degrees, West twelve chains to a stake in the South line of my said farm, then along the outlines thereof Easterly and Northerly to the before mentioned Plank Road and then along the same Westerly to the place of beginning, containing Ninety-one Acres and five-tenths of an acre of land. To have and to hold the said above described farm to my said son John, and to his heirs and assigns for ever on the express terms and condition that he pays to my son Stephen the sum of Eight hundred dollars at the expiration of one year after my decease, and always excepting and reserving out of the above described premises my family Burial ground as the same is now enclosed in a fence. It is my will and I hereby order and direct that the same shall remain undisturbed and never be disposed of to any other person and to be kept as the same now is with a good and sufficient fence at the expense of said farm, and for the faithful performance of which I hereby appoint my executors hereinafter named as Trustees to watch and preserve the same forever.

*Item.* I give, devise and bequeath to my said son John E. Van Aken, his heirs and assigns forever, my house and lot in the Village of Blooming Grove lying on the North side of the Albany and Sand Lake Plank road, as the same is now enclosed in fence and lately occupied by William Terrel, Dec'd. I also give and bequeath to my said son John my day clock and stoves which are now in the house, as also my pew No. 7 in the Church of Blooming Grove.

*Item.* I give, devise and bequeath to my son Stephen V. R. Van Aken, all that westerly part of my farm whereon I now live, bounding on the East by the courses and distances herein before described in the devise to my son John, Northerly by the Albany and Sand Lake Plank road, Westerly by the farm lately of William P. Van Rensselaer, and Southerly by the brook or run of water and the farm hereinafter devised to my Son Jacob Pruyn, containing ninety-one acres and five-tenths of an acre of land. To have and to hold the last above described farm to my said son Stephen, and to his heirs and assigns forever.

*Item.* I give, devise and bequeath to my son Abraham E. Van Aken, his heirs, and assigns, the Dwelling house, Barn, and Southerly part of my farm whereon he now lives, containing eighty acres according to the boundaries described in a deed from William P. Van Rensselaer, and a line lately run and established by me as the North line or division line between him and my son Jacob Pruyn and a fence made on the same accordingly, to have and to hold the said farm to my said son Abraham and to his heirs and assigns forever.

*Item.* I give, devise and bequeath to my son Jacob Pruyn, his heirs and assigns, my Dwelling house, Barn and thirty acres and seven-tenths acres whereon he now lives and has the same in his actual possession, and according to a line by me established as the division line between him and my son Abraham. I also give, devise and bequeath to my said son Jacob Pruyn Van Aken sixty-four acres and seven-tenths of an acre, as the same is now in his actual possession, and which is commonly called the new farm. I also give, devise, and bequeath to him my house and lot in the Village of Blooming Grove, as the same is now in fence and occupied by Randolph Hickerty, lying on the North side of Albany and Sand Lake Plank road, to have and to hold the said above described farms and lot to my said son, Jacob Pruyn Van Aken, and to his heirs and assigns for ever. I also give and bequeath to him all my surveying books, maps and papers relative to surveying, as also Compasses, Chains, Drafting and Levelling instruments, as also my pew No. 36 in the Church of Blooming Grove.

*Item.* I give, devise and bequeath to my son, Benjamin Taylor, his heirs and assigns, my two Dwelling houses, Dock and lot of ground in the Village of West Troy, known as Lot number twelve (12) and also lot No. 95, containing 190 acres lying and adjoining the East shore of Lake George in the Town of Putnam, Washington County, to have and to hold the last above devises to my said son, Benjamin Taylor Van Aken, and to his heirs and assigns forever.

*Item.* I give and bequeath to my son, William K. Van Aken, a Bond I hold against him for One thousand dollars, and also the further sum of Five hundred dollars to be raised out of my personal property and to be paid to him by my executors hereinafter named, in some convenient time after my decease. I also give to him my iron safe.

*Item.* I give, devise and bequeath to my Grandson Harman, son of my daughter Christina, and to my Grandson Harman, son of my son John, Jointly, and to their heirs and assigns, half an acre of land on the North side of and adjoining the Plank Road, as the same was conveyed by Abr'm Whitbeck to my son Harman, Dec'd, and which is commonly called Harmans's lot, and to their heirs and assigns forever.

*Item.* I give, devise and bequeath to my daughter, Ann Maria, my house and lot in the Village of Blooming Grove, as the same was lately occupied by Reuben Terrel, Dec'd, now occupied by James Page, lying on and adjoining the North side of the Albany and Sand Lake Plank road, and to her heirs and assigns forever, and also the sum of Two hundred dollars to make up her portion of her outset, and also my Silver Tea Pot and Tea Spoons, as also my Gold Watch, and Carriage, and plated harness, and also my Pew No. 55 in the Church of Blooming Grove, to have and to hold the same to my said daughter, Ann Maria, and to her heirs and assigns forever.

*Item.* I give and bequeath to my Grandson Harman, son of my son John, my silver watch and silver spurs.

*Item.* I give to my Grandson Evert, son of my son John, my Sword and Pistols and Sash, and my Buggy Waggon and harness, and to his heirs and assigns.

*Item.* I give and bequeath to my four daughters, and to their legal heirs, to-wit: Ann Maria, unmarried, Elizabeth, wife of William Van Veghten; Christina, wife of Cornelius C. Van Reypen; and Cornelia, wife of John I. Van Horne, the sum of One thousand dollars each, to be raised out of my personal property by my executors herein-after named, and to be paid to them as soon as the same can be collected after my decease. I also give to them, my said daughters, all my household furniture to be by them equally divided at the expiration of six weeks after my decease.

*Item.* Whereas, my Saw Mill, lately built, stands on the division line between the farms herein devised to my sons Stephen and Jacob Pruyn, it is my will and I hereby order and direct that the said Saw Mill, Dams and Water privileges, shall belong jointly to Stephen and Jacob Pruyn, and that my said son John shall have an equal share in said mill to saw so much stuff for the use of his farm as he may need for and during his natural life. Each one to pay an equal proportion to keep the same in repair.

*Item.* And lastly, all the rest, residue and remainder of all my property, both real and personal, after the aforesaid legacies be duly satisfied and paid, and not herein before particularly willed and disposed of, I give, devise and bequeath to all my six sons herein before named, and to their heirs to be by them equally divided share and share alike, and I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my daughter, Ann Maria, Executrix, and my son, John E. Van Alen, and my son-in-law, Cornelius C. Van Reypen, Executors to this my last Will and Testament, hereby utterly revoking, disannulling and making void all other and former wills and legacies by me made. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty-seventh day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and fifty three.

EVERT VAN ALEN (x)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the above named Evert Van Alen to be his Last will and testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses at his request in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other.

O. E. LANSING, Town of Green Bush.

ABRAM WITBECK, Town of Green Bush, Rens. Co.

NOTE:—The courts of justice were filled with controversies about disputed boundaries, hence the accurate description which Evert Van Alen employed in his last will in making the distribution of his farm lands.

Among a collection of letters written by Evert Van Alen to his wife. The following has been selected for publication, not alone as an evidence of the pure love and esteem he held for her—but by reason of the peculiar historical interest it bears to the compiler of this publication.

Rev. B. C. Taylor, in early ministerial life, (1822 to 1825) was Pastor of the Dutch Reformed Church, at Blooming Grove, and while there not only endeared himself to the entire Van Alen family, but cemented friendships which endured until dissolved by death.

At time of writing this letter, Mrs. Van Alen was visiting at Dominie Taylor's, in Bergen, N. J., his daughter Mary, was then a child only eleven months old—while Mrs. Van Alen's son, Jacob Pruyn, was but four years of age—these children in later years married, and became the parents of B. T. Van Alen.

Saturday, September, 12th, 1829.

MY DEAR:—

You cannot conceive with what pleasure and gratification the letter I have this moment received from your son, the Rev. B. C. T. It was about 5 o'clock P. M. Mrs. Pruyn was equally anxious to hear from you; she was just preparing to go home, and will return again tomorrow evening. All goes on regular as usual. We have had no rain as yet and the earth is very dry; the children talk much about you and all feel happy to hear that your health is improving, and in that case we all feel willing to have you remain until it is restored. Will not Mr. and Mrs. Taylor get tired of keeping two mothers to nurse, and how then would it be if the *old man* whom you talk and think about every evening was also unexpectedly to land on the Jersey shore, and I will assure you that *he* and your darling talk and think as much about you. I am pleased to see by the letter that you are travelling through the Jerseys visiting your friends, but you say nothing about Philadelphia. I should like to have you go there also, this however I leave to your choice consult your own feelings and inclinations; relieve your mind about the concerns of home and take all the comfort and enjoyment of this visit you can, as I have full confidence in the friendship of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor together with many other friends to make your stay agreeable, and when you conclude to return home I hope you will write me in season that I may have the pleasure to come down and meet you at such time and place as you may appoint, that I may come down one day and return with you the next, as Court is yet sitting in Albany; I think I shall have to tend occasionally all next week. I am home every night and the business of the house is well attended, it is all well cleaned.

I was at Albany to-day. Mr. Velie is very unwell, rather worse. Mrs. Velie is going down with him to-morrow afternoon or early on Monday morning, by whom I send this letter, as I will go to meeting to-morrow afternoon at Albany and see them before they start.

I went to Mr. Pruyn's on Saturday last, found him and his youngest child very sick with the Fever and Ague, they are very weak. Mrs. P. has also had it but is better. I staid there all night and breakfasted at Elizabeth's next morning; found them all well and then returned home and attended an afternoon meeting. William went with me. The woman I went after cannot be had, the information you had about her was all a mistake. Sall is now with Jake and willing to come when you return.

Remember me affectionately to Mr. and Mrs. Taylor; tell them if I do not come to see them it will be your fault and not mine.

The children all join me in love to you, and I remain,

Your affectionate Husband,

EVERT VAN ALEN.

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THE FOUR DAUGHTERS OF EVERETT VAN ALEN

Reproduced from an old daguerreotype, taken about the year 1854



CORNELIA

ELIZABETH

ANN MARIA

CHRISTINA

The children born to Evert and Dericka Van Alen, were twelve (12) in number, as follows:

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|------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. John Evert.         | 7. Christina.              |
| 2. Ann Maria.          | 8. William Knickerbocker.  |
| 3. Elizabeth Magdalen. | 9. Stephen Van Rensselaer. |
| 4. John E.             | 10. Cornelia.              |
| 5. Abraham E.          | 11. Benjamin Taylor.       |
| 6. Herman.             | 12. Jacob Pruyne.          |

1. John Evert Van Alen.

Born in the year 1802. Died in infancy.

2. Ann Maria Van Alen.

Born at Blooming Grove, November 30, 1804. Died May 26, 1896.

She was a woman small in figure, of delicate outline, exceptionally energetic, and possessing every quality that goes to make the perfect woman. Born in the village in which she died, and never having married, she became in early life the nestor of the family. How well and conscientiously she performed that duty, the lives of her brothers and sisters can truly testify.

A member of the Dutch Reformed Church for more than seventy years, and always prominent in all church life and activity, no church gathering being considered complete without the presence of "Aunt Ann."

She remained an inmate and head of the old homestead until May, 1891, when by reason of advanced age and declining strength, she was given a home with her nephew, Herman Van Alen, and there tenderly cared for by him and his wife until the time of her death.

3. Elizabeth Magdalen Van Alen

Born at Blooming Grove, September 15, 1807. Died October 16, 1877.

Married December 8, 1828, to William Van Veghten, of Schaghticoke, Rensselaer County, New York, where her husband owned a large farm of exceedingly fertile soil, and possessing a very beautiful landscape. She resided in that Dutch Village during her entire married life.

To her, "Home was a world of strife shut out, a world of love shut in;" hence their married life was a truly happy one, due not alone to an indulgent husband, but largely to the influence of her nature in gracefully dignifying and elevating the individual; sincerity and unselfishness being well depicted upon her face, and influencing her entire life.

Deria E., their only child, was born December 9, 1829, died January 25, 1888. She married Noyes Reynolds October 12, 1850. One child, William Van Veghten Reynolds, was born to them on July 21, 1851; he married Mrs. Estella G. Knight, January 9, 1895. Attended college in New York City, graduated from Columbia College Law School, and died January 7, 1897.



*D M Van Alen*



4. John E. Van Alen.

Born at Blooming Grove, January 8, 1810, Died May 26, 1872.

Married Mary Ann Sanders, December 27, 1835; the ceremony being performed by Dominie Boyd. She was born October 1, 1819, and died June 18, 1863.

His entire life was passed in the "old home" in which he was born and inherited at death of his father.

Improvements in agriculture, turnpike roads, etc., found in him a steady promoter and advocate. He pursued the vocation of a farmer and displayed an untiring energy in that industry until his death.

In 1848 was elected Justice of the Peace for the Town of Greenbush, and this is the only record found indicating his having held public office.

Their children were Ann Maria, Herman and Evert.

Ann Maria—Born at Blooming Grove, May 7, 1837.  
Died August 22, 1837.

Herman—Born at Blooming Grove, May 16, 1840.  
Married Martha M. Van Alen, November 19, 1863. No children were born of this union.

His residence is nearly opposite the "old home," where shortly after marriage he built the house which he has since continuously occupied.

Is a man simple in his habits of life, of plain words, and whose attitude under an unjust aspersion quickly displays the sturdy heredity of his Dutch ancestry. Fearless in denunciation of injustice, yet to those who understand his disposition, it shows a vein of almost feminine gentleness. Is well and favorably known throughout Rensselaer and Albany Counties. Has held several public offices, and from the old "Rock Hill," quarried the stone used in construction of the piers of the great railroad bridge crossing the Hudson River at Albany.

Evert—Born at Blooming Grove, August 17, 1845.

Married Josephine West, Sept. 15, 1886.

Their children are:  
Bertha—Born October 10, 1890.  
Walter—Born May 18, 1897.

He resided from the time of his birth in the Van Alen homestead, which in later years he inherited, and where in line with an ancestral influence he pursued the life of a farmer until April 1900, when he disposed by sale, of the home and forty-five (45) acres of land remaining, and removed with his family to Albany, thereby severing all the ancestral and tender ties that had been reverenced by the Van Alen family in that home, for about 120 years.



*Herman Van Alen*

In this connection, it seems fitting to record that by the activity of Mrs. Herman Van Alen, assisted by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Dutch Reformed Church of DeFreestville, a lease of the house was obtained from the new owner, the identity of the homestead retained by naming it "Colonial Hall," and making the ancient edifice do service in local church and social events.



## *Evert Van Alen*



## *Abraham E. Van Alen*

### 5. Abraham E. Van Alen.

Born at Blooming Grove, Dec. 27, 1811. Died June 28, 1899.

Married Maria Schermerhorn, March 27, 1834.

Their children were Mary, Jacob S., and Martha M.

His wife died December 2, 1876, and on May 17, 1882, he married Louise Blanchard, who survived him.

At time of his first marriage, he settled upon a farm on the Post Road, and there reared his family, moving in later years to the "old Schermerhorn farm," a half mile to the north.

He was a man bronzed, hardy, and rugged, and who applied himself closely to the culture of his farm.

"Some people grow old from the inside out, and some from the outside in."

"There's old furniture, and there's growing trees. He has truly been the latter."

Mary—Born at Blooming Grove, March 28, 1836.

Married Alden T. Foster, Feb. 19, 1862.

They established and built their residence upon a plat of ground nearly opposite the old Van Alen home, and here their only child, Minnie C., was born June 3, 1864.

She married Christian S. Engle, June 6, 1894, and moved to Norwalk, Ohio, where her husband engaged in the Piano Manufacturing business. Of this union, their only child, Marian Louise Engle, was born March 28, 1895.

In the year 1897, this family moved to San Francisco, California, where Mr. Engle opened a large Musical Instrument business, and in which city they have since resided.

In the year 1901, upon the occasion of the launching of the U. S. Battleship, Ohio, at San Francisco, a pretty episode of the affair was the act of this little transplanted Ohio girl, Marian Louise Engle (the then only representative of the tenth generation of the Van Alen family), clad in a flower bedecked gown, and scattering roses as the guests, with William McKinley, President of the United States, in the lead, assembled in the reception hall.



J. S. Van Alen



Marian Louise Engle

Jacob S.—Born at Blooming Grove, December 3, 1839.

Died, December 31, 1893.

Married Mary Wild, of Albany, N. Y., April 26, 1870.

Their children were { Lillian M.  
Harrison D.  
Charles E.

He pursued the vocation of carpenter and painter; Moved to Iowa City, Iowa, where he resided for nine years, and then returned to his native place, where he died.

Lillian M.—Born April 26, 1875. Died February 4, 1896.

Was a person of quiet, modest and sweet disposition. An earnest Christian worker, and a blessing and comfort to her mother and brothers. She taught district school for two years, and her close application to this work coupled with an anxiety for her widowed mother, hastened her demise.



HARRISON D. VAN ALEN

Harrison D.—Born November 26, 1876.

Married Mary Frances Van Valkenburgh, November 3, 1898, and resides in the City of Albany, where he maintains a lucrative Wall Paper and Decorating business.

Their only child, Sarah Abigail, was born August 13, 1902.

Charles E.—Born June 28, 1880.

Married Alida C. Bult, of Albany, June 25, 1902, and resides in that city, where he is engaged in business with his brother, Harrison.

Martha M.—Born in Blooming Grove, February 12, 1844.

Married Herman Van Alen, November 19, 1873.

She has continuously resided in the village in which she was born.

Her physical condition has never been robust, yet by her words and acts, and ever generous hospitality, has given to her kindred and many friends not only pleasure in her society, but has labored in the church, and blessed her home with love.

## 6. Herman Van Alen

Born at Blooming Grove, January 19, 1814. Died September 10, 1837.

He resided continuously at the Van Alen home in which he was born—and where he died—and did not marry.

He gave marked attention to the culture of fruit and to his efforts can be largely attributed the growth and development of the fine orchards of apples, plums and pears which future generations so greatly enjoyed when visiting the "old home."

## 7. Christina Van Alen.

Born at Blooming Grove, January 1, 1816. Died November 1, 1883.

Was married August 27, 1835, to Cornelius C. Van Reypen, of Bergen, N. J., (Jersey City), whose ancestors came from Ripen, in North Jutland, Holland, in 1663, in the ship "Spotted Cow."

Six children were born of this union—Catherine, Herman Van Alen, William Knickerbocker, Alletta, Anna Deria and Cornelius.

She was a woman graceful in carriage, quiet in demeanor, possessing practical ability, untiring in her labors in the home, and one whom God endowed with the peculiar skill and grace of bestowing comfort, and whose lovely Christian character influenced those surrounding her and endeared all toward her.

She united with the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Bergen, N. J., by certificate, in the year 1836, her husband uniting at the same time upon profession of his faith, and from thenceforward they both were found actively engaged in christianizing work until death removed them hence.

Catherine—Born at Bergen, N. J., June 23, 1836.

Married Albert Z. Bogert, of Hackensack, N. J., October 24, 1867. Has lived continuously in that city since her marriage, and displayed a deep and lively interest in whatever is calculated to improve the comforts and environments of her home, the church, and her social life.

Seven children have been born to them, as follows:

Frances—Born October 1, 1868.

Who upon graduation from High School engaged in teaching, and has proven herself very successful in that vocation.

Emma Louise—Born February 28, 1870.

Upon completion of a classical education, her tender nature and a desire to alleviate suffering and bestow comfort to humanity lead to her entrance into the ranks of the professional nurse, where she has become eminently successful.

William—Born May 1, 1871. Died at six years of age.

Catherine Alletta—Born June 24, 1873. Died at two years of age.

Alberta—Born October 12, 1875 Married William Schuyler Hopper, June 4, 1902.

Cornelius V. R.—Born February 17, 1879.

Mary Leila—Born August 2, 1881.

Herman V. A.—Born at Bergen, N. J., November 2, 1838. Died June 1, 1855.

William Knickerbocker—Born at Bergen, N. J., November 14, 1840.

Married Nellie C. Wells, Sept. 21, 1876.

Their children are:

Alletta Louise—Born December 19, 1877.

William Knickerbocker—Born May 7, 1883.

He attended public and private schools in Bergen, and at the age of fourteen entered the sophomore class at the University of New York, from which institution he graduated in 1858. Soon after graduation commenced the study of medicine at the University Medical College of New York, and became a private student of Dr. Alfred C. Post, the then Professor of Surgery at the college. In his second year received the prize for anatomical preparation and for the best clinical record. He was also appointed Junior Interne at the New York Hospital.

In April, 1861, while yet a medical student, was appointed Assistant Surgeon of the 2nd New Jersey Militia, and served with that Regiment during the War of the Rebellion until it was mustered out in August, 1861.



*W. C. Van Beijnen*

In December, 1861, before graduation, entered the Navy as Assistant Surgeon in the regular service. Graduated in medicine in the Spring of 1862, and in 1864 received the degree of A. M from the New York University.

In March, 1862, was assigned to duty at the Naval Hospital, New York, where he remained until September of that year, when he was ordered to Key West in charge of the Marine Hospital at that place. The Hospital was then being used by the Navy as a yellow fever Hospital. At the time of his arrival there were fifty-six cases awaiting his professional attention, the medical officer in charge having just died. In ten days he was attacked by the fever, from which he had a slow recovery. Remained on duty at the Hospital until December, 1864, passing through another severe epidemic of yellow fever during the latter year.

Was promoted to Passed Assistant Surgeon in 1865, to Surgeon in 1868, to Medical Inspector in 1887, to Medical Director in 1895, and appointed Surgeon General of the Navy in October, 1897, being reappointed in 1901, and voluntarily retired after more than forty years service, with the rank of Senior Rear Admiral on January 25, 1902.

During his naval career he served in every squadron, was Fleet Surgeon of the Pacific, North Atlantic, and squadron of Naval Review, and on duty at many of the Naval Hospitals. Was sent by the department as a delegate to the International Medical Congress at Moscow, in 1897, and read a paper on "The Care of Wounded in Naval Engagements," presenting a plan of an ambulance ship that he had devised. Soon after his appointment as Surgeon General, war with Spain commenced, and he designed and fitted out the ambulance ship Solace, which vessel was the first vessel of her kind of any Nation. Her service during the Spanish war has become historical. Following his retirement he was appointed a Red Cross delegate to represent the government at the Red Cross Conference in St. Petersburg, in May, 1902.

Is a member of the Holland Society of New York, Ex-Senior Vice Commander of the District of Columbia Commandery, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, The Sons of the American Revolution, the Geographic Society, the University Club of New York, an honorary life member of the Carlton Club of Brooklyn, the Chevy Chase Club, President of the Washington Whist Club, and Vice President of the Metropolitan Club of Washington.

Alletta—Born at Bergen, N. J., May 31, 1844. Died September 26, 1874.

Married Edward P. Buffet, M. D., of Jersey City, N. J., June 12, 1873. One child, Edward Payson, Buffet, Jr., was born of this union, on September 14, 1874.

She was a woman, tactful, interesting and sympathetic; her cultivated mind and cheerful thoughts dominating her daily living, whose ministerings to humanity were not merely generous but unselfish, and whose unmistakable purity of soul and mind tended daily to uplift and strengthen the lives of all her associates.

Anna Deria—Born at Bergen, N. J., April 24, 1847.

Married Philip Kip Green, of Jersey City, N. J., January 1, 1884.

She has been a continuous inmate of the Van Reypen home since time of her birth, and upon the demise of her mother, assumed the care and entire management. In this charge she cheerfully displayed her qualities as conserver, maintained the traditions of the Dutch race so well typified in her nature, and while tenderly ministering to the needs of her aged father, made the home more of interest to relatives and others, rather than to herself.

Cornelius C., Jr.—Born at Bergen, N. J., March 10, 1852. Died February 28, 1883.

Married Kate Parker, of Jersey City, N. J., October 22, 1879, and she survived him.



*W. K. Van Alen*

8. William Knickerbocker Van Alen—

Born at Blooming Grove, N. Y.,

January 20, 1818.

Died at San Francisco Jan. 19, 1903.

Married Emma L. Van Wyck, of Fishkill, N. Y., October 10, 1844. One daughter, Hannah Louise, was born of this union.

Is a man of sterling integrity, and possessing an outward charm of character that all could advantageously strive to attain, and whose "lend a hand" has quietly done so much for his own blood. Is an early riser, and in the development of his purified life has never displayed any weariness, attributing his robust health to abstemious habits of life, and keeping his mind and body suitably employed.

Soon after marriage he embarked in the Dry Goods business on Greenwich St., New York, and successfully maintained it until the gold fever of 1849 allured him to the Pacific Coast.

His love for wife and child alone caused a hesitancy in departing for the western eldorado, but the devotion of that loving and faithful wife, and the encouragement she extended to him, resulted in the decision to go. Arriving in San Francisco in October, 1849, after a long trip via the Isthmus of Panama, he there embarked in Mercantile pursuits, bought and sold Real Estate, represented one of the great Life Insurance Companies of New York City, and by close application to business soon won the esteem and confidence of all who associated with him.

Few men can look back to 1849 and say as he has often been heard to exclaim: "My whole life in California has been a pleasure to me."

He holds implicit faith in the future prosperity and development of California, is a man whom all Californians know and trust, and whom mothers and children love. His range of life has been simple, yet effective, California being to him a perfect haven of rest and comfort.

He loves to walk up and down the hills of San Francisco, seemingly never tiring. Anyone fortunate enough to be his companion upon one of these walks, would thoroughly enjoy listening to the reminiscences which his long residence in that city enable him to give voice to.

Was twice elected Supervisor of San Francisco and several times declined the nomination for a seat in the Legislature of his State, holds membership in The Holland Society of New York, and Society of California Pioneers of San Francisco, and is a regular visitor to the reading rooms of the last named Society.

A California estimate of him is best learned by the perusal of the following, taken from

"Contemporary Biography of California's Representative Men,"

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San Francisco, Cal.

## WILLIAM KNICKERBOCKER VAN ALEN.

Mr. Van Alen, a lineal descendant of John Knickerbocker, of Schaghticoke, of the State of New York, was born in the town of Greenbush, Rensselaer County, January 20, 1818. An admirable but brief account of this historical family was published in Harper's Magazine, of New York, for December, 1876. It was accompanied by fine engravings of Mr. Van Alen's maternal grandparents, together with the picture of the family mansion constructed over two centuries ago, and which is still standing and bids fair to survive the last of the race.

Like other pioneers, the subject of this memoir has helped to shape the destiny of the great State of California, and filled many offices with credit to himself and profit to the community. Faithful to the interests of San Francisco, he has helped also to build up her waste places, and contributed by well-conceived improvements to her glory and renown. He has watched this great city grow acorn-like into a far-spreading oak, its roots well set, and its branches giving shelter to all nationalities.

Arriving in San Francisco, in October, 1849, Mr. Van Alen has been a constant resident and shared in all its vicissitudes, its rise and progress, its bright and its cloudy days.

The Knickerbockers, the Van Rensselaerts, the Livingstones, and other great families of the State of New York, have given their names to immortality upon every wind that blows.

Under the generic name of Knickerbockers are accepted all the descendants of the old families of his native State; and in whatever country or condition of life, stationary or moving, they may be traced, they are found full of honor, trust, manliness, and fighting the battles of life with courage and dignity. To write the history of one of these great families, is to write the history of all. Its men have always been foremost in the field and in the forum, knowing how to live and how to die; its women models of purity, gracefulness, dignity, and elevated sentiment.

His wife died at Sorrento, Italy, in 1870, while upon a European tour with his daughter. Her remains were brought to this country and interred in the Van Wyck family burial plot at Fishkill Landing, Dutchess County, N. Y.

Hannah Louise, his only child, was born in New York, October 30, 1847.

Died on the Island of Ischia, Italy, August 7, 1883.

She was a long sufferer from inflammatory rheumatism, and for several years had travelled in Europe in search of health. While sojourning at the Hotel Pacollo-Santinella, at Ischia, an island in the Bay of Naples, Italy, trying there the efficiency of the mud baths, on Saturday evening, July 28, 1883, a terrible earthquake occurred, which so seriously injured her, that death relieved her sufferings after a lapse of ten days.

Her remains were brought to Bergen, N. J., (Jersey City) where funeral services were held at the residence of her uncle, C. C. Van Reypen, and from thence were taken to Fishkill, N. Y., and interred beside her mother.

9. Stephen Van Rensselaer Van Alen  
Born at Blooming Grove, April  
14, 1820.

Married Hester Ann DeGraef, December 1, 1874. She died January 12, 1893.

Alexander Pope's "Ode on Solitude" seems appropriately to describe his life in the following verses:

Happy the man whose wish and care  
A few paternal acres bound,  
Content to breathe his native air  
In his own ground:

Whose herds with milk, whose fields with bread,  
Whose flocks supply him with attire;  
Whose trees in summer yield him shade,  
In winter fire:

Blest, who can unconcern'dly find  
Hours, days, and years slide soft away,  
In health of body, peace of mind,  
Quiet by day:



Stephen V.R. Van Alen

Their children, all born at DeFreestville, were

Cora De Graef—Born March 13, 1876—Died March 21, 1894.

Elizabeth Van Veghten—Born December 30, 1878.

Married Arthur Lape, a farmer of De Freestville, March 16, 1898 Their children are  
are { Harvey A.—Born September 13, 1900.  
} Jennie E.—Born November 30, 1901—Died September 26, 1902.  
(On page 8 this name is erroneously recorded as Gertrude G.)

and Catherine Colton—Born January 18, 1880.

who resides at the home on "Rock Hill," where she lovingly displays fidelity to her aged father in the care of him and the home.

#### 10. Cornelia Van Alen

Born at Blooming Grove, March 19, 1822. Died October 4, 1880.

Married John I. Van Horne, of Bergen, N. J., (Jersey City) November 2, 1843.

Their children were—Catherine, Stephen Van Alen and Frank. Her husband was a descendant of the old Dutch family of that name, whose ancestors had settled at Communipaw (Jersey City) in the 16th Century. In this Dutch environment they commenced their married life, he engaging in farming and the raising of vegetables for the New York markets, and here all their children were born.

She was a woman of marked personality, and with the death of her husband in 1865, began a solitary journey of life which was alone made cheerful by the children and grandchildren in whom were centered her entire affection, and whose spiritual and physical welfare was her daily concern and comfort. Her nature was one of sweetness and simplicity, coupled with a strength of character that enabled her to courageously meet the daily trials incident to human life.

Catherine—Born at Bergen, N. J., September 2, 1844.

Married Abram W. Colton, of Toledo, Ohio, April 17, 1867, and removed to that city, where she has since resided.

She is one whose kind words have gone far in dispelling gloom in others, and whose sympathy has proven a true boon to humanity. To her, "life is real," and a brightness and joy abides in that life that gives a power of enjoyment and cheerful thought to her cultivated mind, and keeps her vigor ever fresh. Two children were born of this union:—

Cornelia—at Toledo, Ohio, July 28, 1871.

Married E. G. Hollister, December 12, 1899, and resides in Toledo.

Olive Almira—at Toledo, September 2, 1873.

Stephen Van Alen—Born at Bergen, N. J., March 4, 1856.

Resides in New York City, where for many years he has been connected with the Freight Department of one of the great Trunk Railways. Is a member of The Holland Society of New York.

Frank—Born at Bergen, N. J., November 9, 1858—Died at Bergen, N. J., March 20, 1869.

11. Benjamin Taylor Van Alen.

Born at Blooming Grove, N. Y., April 28, 1824. Died November 12, 1870.

In the year 1851 he married Grace Lines, who was born in England, and resided at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. She afterwards married William Wheeler, and died November 19, 1872.

He was engaged in the Retail Dry Goods business in New York until September 6, 1861, when at the call of his country he enlisted as a Corporal in Company I, (Captain G. C. Morton) Ira Harris Guards, 5th New York Volunteer Cavalry, and was mustered out of service October 23, 1864, at Dismounted Camp, Pleasant Valley, Maryland, by reason of expiration of term of service.

His regiment was attached to General Judson Kilpatrick's Cavalry Brigade, 5th Army Corps, Army of the Potomac, and actively participated in the entire Virginia campaign. In May, 1862, at Fairfax, C. H., they charged and defeated Mosby's command, were engaged in battles of Martinsburg, Harper's Ferry, Spottsylvania, Gainesville, Cold Harbor and Wilderness. In January, 1863, by reason of casualties, Company I was reduced to forty-eight men, and at the time of mustering out, only sixteen answered roll call. Records show that in every engagement they distinguished themselves, and were frequently praised in orders for gallantry in action.

One son, Jacob, was born of this union, on April 23, 1852. Died July 22, 1897, and his remains were interred at Cold Spring, Putnam County, N. Y.

His demise was sudden and accidental, having been struck by a train on the L. I. R. R. when returning home from a sail in his yacht, on Jamaica Bay.

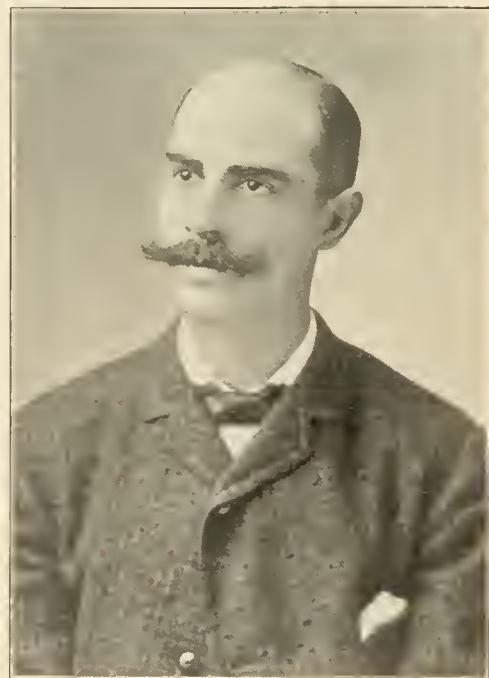
He was an energetic, successful business man, and an active salesman. In 1886 he organized the New York Stove Works, at Peekskill, N. Y., of which corporation he was Secretary, and they enjoyed a very successful business.

Married Eleda Squire, September 4, 1881, and two children were born unto them:

William—at Williamsburg, N. Y., ~~Aug~~ <sup>Aug</sup> 10, 1882.

Eleda—at Williamsburg, N. Y., November 9, 1885.

His widow, on February 5, 1899, married M. H. Christopher, of Brooklyn, N. Y., in which city she now resides.



*John A. Van Alen*



12. Jacob Pruyn.

Born at Blooming Grove, N. Y., June 30, 1825. Died at Bergen, N. J., (Jersey City) March 13, 1867.

Married Mary Gazzam Taylor, daughter of Rev. Benjamin C. and Anna Romeyn Taylor, at Bergen, N. J., October 18, 1848.

She was born at Bergen, N. J., October 18, 1828, and died at Chicago, Ill., April 14, 1893, at the residence of her son, B. T. Van Alen, with whom she made her home after the death of her father in 1881.

Her remains were taken to Jersey City, and there interred in the old burial ground of the Bergen Dutch Reformed Church and placed beside her husband and the infant children they had in previous years consigned to mother earth.

Of this union there were born to them eight children.

Benjamin Taylor

Jacob Pruyn

Anna Romeyn

William Taylor

Charles Pruyn

Evert

Jacob Pruyn

Mary Elizabeth

He was given a common school education, and assisted his father in surveying and engineering work. A bill for his tuition is reproduced herewith:

L. Pruyn, Van Alen  
10/40      To Abraham I Hardick D.  
October 10<sup>th</sup> - To Boarding your Son }  
    Jacob P. Van Alen 9 Weeks @ \$25 } \$100.00  
    To Washing done in the above time - - - 20  
    To Cash sent him to Return home \$10. 20  
    To Cash Paid Lemuel C Holcomb } 50  
    To tuition in the above time } - - 4.91  
    Recd. Payment in full - \$23. 69  
Abraham I Hardick

After marriage he settled upon a farm on the Albany and New York post road, and adjoining the farm of his brother, Abraham E., where he remained until the year 1858 and then moved with his family to Bergen, N. J., and engaged in the produce business in New York City.

Benjamin Taylor—Born at De Freestville, N. Y.,  
July 29, 1849.

Married Fannie More, of Jersey City, N. J., December 18, 1873, the ceremony being performed by his grandfather, Rev. Benjamin C. Taylor.

He attended public and private schools at Bergen, N. J., and in 1864 embarked in the wholesale drug business in New York City. Entered the employ of an old and well established firm and remained with them until the year 1886. During this period, he traveled extensively for them, and at the time of severing that connection had attained a high position in their organization.

He then accepted a position as resident western agent for a large Perfumery Manufacturing firm, moved with his family to Chicago, Illinois, and after representing that firm for over sixteen years, resigned his position with them in December, 1902.

Has spent much of his married life in business travel covering the entire United States and Dominion of Canada

In July, 1902, became the western representative of a large Chemical Manufacturing firm located in Mannheim, Germany.

Is Vice President of the Holland Society of Chicago, member of Illinois Society Sons of the American Revolution, a Director of Chicago Drug Trade Club, President Board of Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church of Lake View, Chicago, and an Honorary Member of Company B, First Infantry Illinois National Guard.

Three children have been born of his marriage, namely: { Edna Child.  
Walter Taylor.  
Harold Knickerbocker.

Edna Child—Born at Newark, N. J., April 12, 1875.

Married E. Allen Frost, an Attorney-at-Law, on April 18, 1899, and resides in Chicago, Illinois.

Walter Taylor—Born at Newark, N. J., October 5, 1876

Married Elizabeth Rourke February 13, 1901, at Chicago, Illinois.

On April 26, 1898, enlisted with his Regiment, First Infantry N. G., Ill., in the service of the United States in the Spanish-American war, serving as Corporal in Company B, was attached to the 3rd Brigade (General Lawton), in 5th Army Corps under Major General Wm. R. Shafter.



BENJAMIN TAYLOR VAN ALEN



WALTER TAYLOR VAN ALLEN

Saw service in the trenches before Santiago de Cuba, and at San Juan and El Caney, witnessed the surrender of Gen'l Toral's Army, and after forty-seven days service in Cuba returned with his Regiment to Montauk Point, N. Y., and thence to Chicago, where on November 17, 1898, he was honorably discharged from service.

Is a member of Illinois Society, Sons of the American Revolution, also the Society of the Army of Santiago, and First Sergeant Company B, First Infantry N. G. Illinois, of which Regiment he has been a member for nine years.

During a part of the Santiago campaign, the First Illinois Volunteers were stationed in trenches immediately adjoining the First U. S. Vol. Cavalry (Rough Riders), commanded by Col. Theodore Roosevelt, and he there met for the first time the present President of the United States.

A letter written by Col. Roosevelt in 1898, in response to an invitation to visit Chicago as the guest of The Holland Society of that city, is herewith produced:

Oyster Bay, L. I., Oct. 6, 1898.

(Dictated)

B. T. Van Allen, Esq.,

57 Washington St.,

Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Mr. Van Allen:-

I would particularly like to come, but I don't dare promise so far in advance. I have no idea what my engagements will be.

*my comrade you son.*

Remember me to ~~there never~~

Faithfully yours,

*Theodore Roosevelt*

Harold Knickerbocker—Born at Newark, N. J., September 19, 1882.

Is a member of First Regiment N. G. Illinois, holding commission of Corporal in Co. M.

Was educated in public schools of Chicago, and in 1900 commenced his business career in a large National Bank at Chicago.

Anna Romeyn—Born at De Freestville, N. Y., December 3, 1853.

Married Louis Guillaudeu, Jr., of Jersey City, N. J., August 22, 1882, at Schaghticoke, N. Y.

Their children were { Louis Alen.  
                          { Arthur.  
                          { Florence.

Louis Alen—Born September 30, 1883. Died December 25, 1884.

Arthur—Born June 23, 1888.

Florence—Born November 16, 1890. Died July 11, 1891.

She is a woman of pronounced generous and unselfish principles. In figure, resembling the women of the previous generation. Never rugged in health, yet always actively engaged, and whose love of home, of husband and of children has been an inspiration to others everywhere.

Shortly after marriage they removed to Chicago, where her husband engaged in the Grain Commission business. From Chicago they moved to Britton, So. Dakota, where he embarked in the Banking business, which proved eminently successful until successive failure of crops depopulated that section, when he accepted a position as manager of the Cincinnati branch of a large manufacturing company, and has since successfully conducted that agency.

They reside in their own home at Madisonville, Ohio, distant only ten miles from his business location.

Charles Pruyn—Born at De Freestville, N. Y., July 25, 1856. Died August 23, 1856.

Jacob Pruyn—Born at Bergen, N. J., March 22, 1859. Died July 13, 1859.

Jacob Pruyn—Born at Bergen, N. J., June 18, 1860. Died September 24, 1860.



William Taylor—Born at Bergen, N. J., August 8, 1861.

Married Catherine More, of Newark, N. J., December 13, 1888.

Their children were { William Pruyn.  
                          { Katherine.

William Pruyn—Born September 26, 1889.

Katherine—Born February 18, 1898.

He has for many years been in the employ of a large Life Insurance Company of New York City, and resides with his family in Newark, N. J.

Evert—Born at Bergen, N. J., November 6, 1863  
Died December 2, 1863.

Mary Elizabeth—Born at Bergen, N. J. May 6, 1866.  
Died September 26, 1866.

Here terminates the record, and the compiler of this publication, in closing the work done in behalf of his kindred, appends herewith a correct list, giving present places of residence of the

#### LIVING DESCENDANTS OF EVERETT VAN ALEN.

##### Seventh Generation

VAN ALEN, STEPHEN V. R.	- - - - -	De Freestville, N. Y.
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##### Eighth Generation

BOGERT, CATHERINE	- - - - -	Hackensack, N. J.
COLTON, CATHERINE	- - - - -	Toledo, Ohio
FOSTER, MARY	- - - - -	San Francisco, Cal.
GREEN, ANNA D.	- - - - -	Jersey City, N. J.
GUILLAUME, ANNA R.	- - - - -	Madisonville, Ohio
LAPE, ELIZABETH V. V.	- - - - -	De Freestville, N. Y.
VAN ALEN, BENJAMIN T.	- - - - -	Chicago, Ill.
VAN ALEN, CATHERINE C.	- - - - -	De Freestville, N. Y.
VAN ALEN, EVERETT	- - - - -	Albany, N. Y.
VAN ALEN, HERMAN	- - - - -	De Freestville, N. Y.
VAN ALEN, MARTHA M.	- - - - -	De Freestville, N. Y.
VAN ALEN, WILLIAM T.	- - - - -	Newark, N. J.
VAN HORNE, STEPHEN V. A.	- - - - -	New York, N. Y.
VAN REYPEN, WILLIAM K.	- - - - -	Washington, D. C.

##### Ninth Generation

BOGERT, CORNELIUS V. R.	- - - - -	Hackensack, N. J.
BOGERT, EMMA LOUISE	- - - - -	Hackensack, N. J.
BOGERT, FRANCES	- - - - -	Hackensack, N. J.
BOGERT, MARY LEILA	- - - - -	Hackensack, N. J.
BUFFETT, EDWARD P., JR.	- - - - -	Jersey City, N. J.
COLTON, OLIVE ALMIRA	- - - - -	Toledo, Ohio
ENGLE, MINNIE C.	- - - - -	San Francisco, Cal.
FROST, EDNA V. A.	- - - - -	Chicago, Ill.
GUILLAUME, ARTHUR	- - - - -	Madisonville, Ohio
HOLLISTER, CORNELIA	- - - - -	Toledo, Ohio
HOPPER, ALBERTA	- - - - -	Hackensack, N. J.
LAPE, HARVEY A.	- - - - -	De Freestville, N. Y.
VAN ALEN, BERTHA	- - - - -	Albany, N. Y.
VAN ALEN, CHARLES E.	- - - - -	Albany, N. Y.
VAN ALEN, ELEDA	- - - - -	Brooklyn, N. Y.
VAN ALEN, HARRISON D.	- - - - -	Albany, N. Y.
VAN ALEN, HAROLD K.	- - - - -	Chicago, Ill.
VAN ALEN, KATHERINE	- - - - -	Newark, N. J.
VAN ALEN, WALTER	- - - - -	Albany, N. Y.
VAN ALEN, WALTER T.	- - - - -	Chicago, Ill.
VAN ALEN, WILLIAM	- - - - -	Brooklyn, N. Y.
VAN ALEN, WILLIAM P.	- - - - -	Newark, N. J.
VAN REYPEN, ALLETTA LOUISE	- - - - -	Washington, D. C.
VAN REYPEN, WILLIAM K., JR.	- - - - -	Washington, D. C.

##### Tenth Generation

ENGLE, MARIAN LOUISE	- - - - -	San Francisco, Cal.
VAN ALEN, SARAH ABIGAIL	- - - - -	Albany, N. Y.



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